

**Board of Chiropractic Examiners**

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## Chiropractic Educational Requirements

As part of its licensing procedures, the Board of Chiropractic Examiners (Board) verifies the educational background of all applicants. The specific educational requirements are:

1. Proof of high school graduation -- either a photocopy of the diploma or transcript or GED certificate.
2. Ninety or more semester units of pre-chiropractic education meeting the education standards of the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE).
3. Graduation from a Board-approved chiropractic college.
4. Certificate of graduation from the chiropractic college:
  - graduated after at least one year of attendance; and,
  - possess a minimum of 4,400 hours in the subjects listed in Section 5 of the Initiative Act and Title 16, California Code of Regulations Sections 331.12.1 and 331.12.2.

**As a minimum for graduation, each student shall be required to complete the following:**

- 25 physical examinations of which at least 10 are outside (not student) patients, 25 urinalyses, 20 complete blood counts (CBC), 10 blood chemistries, 30 x-ray examinations, 10 proctological examinations and 10 gynecological examinations. Perform a minimum of 250 patient treatments (visits), written interpretation of at least 30 different x-ray views and 518 hours of practical clinical experience (treating patients in the clinic).
- 120 hours of physiotherapy training and 30-patient office visits where the student performs physiotherapy procedures on their own clinic patients.

Chiropractic students cannot take the California Law Exam until the Board receives fingerprint clearances from the state and federal and has received all required documents.